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HOUSE COMMERCE COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO.

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This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsor.

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce at the request of the Department of Revenue and Regulation

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require health carriers to offer certain deductible options
2 for certain health benefit plans and to declare an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That chapter 58-17 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 Any health carrier with any in force individual health benefit plan issued in accordance with
7 § 58-17-85 prior to August 1, 2003, shall offer, at the option of the insured, additional
8 deductible options of the following:

9 (1) One thousand dollars with a four thousand dollar out-of-pocket coinsurance
10 maximum;

11 (2) Three thousand dollars with a two thousand dollar out-of-pocket coinsurance
12 maximum;

13 (3) Five thousand dollars with no coinsurance; and

14 (4) Ten thousand dollars with a twelve thousand two hundred fifty dollar out-of-pocket



1 maximum, including the deductible.

2 Any additional deductible option, with the exception of the five thousand dollar option, shall
3 require that the insured be responsible for a twenty-five percent coinsurance. The premium rates
4 for these benefit plans shall be adjusted based upon the actuarial difference in benefits.

5 Section 2. Whereas, this Act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,
6 health, or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in full force and
7 effect from and after its passage and approval.